

(b) and (c) Advertisements were published in the newspapers during the year 1996-97 by the Railways on the occasion of inaugural functions pertaining to new projects/new zones, etc. An amount of Rs. 3.74,13,749/- (approx.) has been spent for the same.

(d) Amount of Rs. 55,59,695/- (approx.) and Rs. 1,36,94,478/- (approx.) have spent during the corresponding period of 1994-95 and 1995-96 respectively.

(e) and (f) Yes Sir. Railway Advertisements are normally released at DAVP rates which are comparably lower than the commercial rates of the newspapers. Such advertisements in the newspapers are restricted to only major events/projects having national relevance and in such cases proper care is taken to restrict the number of newspapers so as to keep the expenditure within the available funds.

[Translation]

Cases Against Registered Recruiting Agents

4220. SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that only registration certificates of the agents sending labourers abroad are cancelled and no criminal cases are registered against them;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) Complaints received against registered Recruiting Agents are examined in consultation with the concerned missions abroad and

action for suspension and cancellation of their Registration Certificates is taken according to the merits of the cases are provided under Section 14 of the Emigration Act, 1983. In addition to the above, cases are also referred to the Police/C.B.I. for Investigations.

[English]

Cancellation of Scheduled Programmes from Gujarat Doordarshan

4221. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a number of scheduled programmes telecast on Doordarshan Kendras of Gujarat have been cancelled or stopped during the last three years, till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken or being taken against guilty officials?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The year-wise details for the period from 1994 to 1996 are given in the enclosed Statement.

(c) The scheduled programmes are cancelled on account of compulsory relay of National Network programmes, State Mourning, Election Code of Conduct, last minute cancellation of recordings resulting in non-availability of programmes and failure of power supply.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

Details of the Cancelled Programmes

Date	Time	Reasons for cancellation	Cancelled Regional Programme
1	2	3	4
1-7-94	5-01 pm to 7-25 pm 7-46 pm to 8.00 pm	Wimbeldon live and Chitrahaar	1. Gulshan Gulshan 2. Adult Education 3. Apna Udyog 4. Gram Jagat 5. Spon. Serial 6. Saptahiki
3-7-94	7-45 pm to 8.00 pm	-do-	Sponsored Serial
9-7-94	8-05 pm to 8.30 pm	Network Programmes	1. Antarang Gujarat and Spon. Serial-Amasna Tara
9-7-94	8-15 pm to 8-30 pm	Akasha Urja Strot	Ata Pata
19-7-94	5-00 pm to 6-52 pm	Hindi Film-Aqta	1. Comm. Programme 2. Sambharana 3. Swasthya Sudha 4. Yuva Darshan 5. Gram Jagat

1	2	3	4
November '1994			
5-11-94	7-55 pm to 8-30 pm	Triangular Cricket Match - Live	Simatti Dooruyan
7-11-94	5-00 pm to 5-13 pm	3rd One day cricket match	-
11-11-94	5.00 pm to 5-27 pm	Spl. Programme on Kuvempu from Delhi	Ramat Jagat
13-11-94	12.00 to 1-00 pm	Film Stars Cricket Match - Live	Sponsored Serial 1. Girja Shankar Gor 2. Patrasetu
5-1-95	3-30 pm to 5-26 pm	Seminar National Judo Championship	
10-1-95	6-10 pm to 7-25 pm	International Film Festival	Yuva Darshan, Grarr, Jagat
12-1-95	5-00 pm to 6-30 pm	Rashtriya Yuva Utsav	
15-1-95	4-30 pm to 5-00 pm	Documentary	Gujarati Film
30-1-95		Matial Day (From Delhi)	Spl. programme on Gandhi-Death Anniversary Aapana Muk Mitro.
10-2-95	Till 12-39 pm	Live Telecast of Hockey	Sponsored Serial - Hun Ne Mara and Shriman Safalkumar
15-2-95	Till 1-29 pm	Live telecast of Badminton from Guwahati	Ramat Jagat, and Parab and Ramta Ramta
24-2-95	6.00 pm to 7-28 pm	Live telecast closing ceremony of World Chess Championship from Hyderabad	Rojgar Samachar, Aapna Udyog, Gram Jagat and Spon. Serial - Aaghat
28-2-95	5-33 pm	Delink caption given late	Ramat Jagat, TV Report on Vir Meghamayo and Guru Ronidas
2-5-95	Till 6-52 pm	Live Telecast of 8th SAARC	Ramat Jagat, Lok Geet, Swasthya Sudha
21-5-95	12-00 noon - 1-00 pm	Live telecast of Birsa Munda Award Ceremony	Regional Afternoon Transmission
28-5-95	12-03 pm	Delink caption given	Patrashetu
9-6-95		French Open '95 - Live telecast from Paris	Aapana udyog, Gram Jagat
12-6-95		Gold Cup Hockey - Live from Chandigarh	Gram Bharati, Sport, Folk Dance, Spon. Prog.
5-6-95		Due to live telecast Federation Cup Football Tournament	Mariyan Day, Guru Arjun Dev. Sport, Saughat, Spl. Programme on Environment Day.
6-12-95		All India A.R. Molly Gymnastik Championship live from Hyderabad	Aam Aadmini Vaat
8-12-95		-do-	Nirate Programme
7-12-95		Launch of INSAT-2C live telecast	Gram Vikas
15-12-95		25 years of Independence of Bangladesh - live telecast	Pustak Parichay, Shramik Jagat.
18-12-95		Opening Ceremony of SAF Games live from Madras	Lok Varso, Spots, Adult Education, Saughat, Swasthay Sudha
21-12-95		Due to SAF Games live from Madras	Gram Vikas, Sampratni Sathe
22-12-95		-do-	Nirate, Sport.
24-12-95		-do-	Play - Atyachar
25-12-95		-do-	Adult Education, Uphaar, Sampratni, Sathe, Gram Jagat, Sponsored prog.

1	2	3	4
26-12-95		Due to SAF Games live from Madras	Aam Admini Vaat, Classical Dance, Swasthya Sudha and Ramta Ramta, Gram Jagat.
10-4-95 to 14-4-95		Due to death of Ex. Prime Minister Shri Morarji Desai (5 days National State Mourning).	Whole regional transmission was deviated.
3-3-96	Sunday	Live telecast of cricket match till 1740 hrs.	Serial : Talya Toys Pachha Talya and Jagruti (Jayashree G.)
5-3-96	Tuesday	Live telecast of cricket match till 1718 hrs.	Vikasane Panthe and Social Justice (M.K. Parmar)
6-3-96	Wednesday	Telecast of Wills World Cup'96 till 1653 hrs.	Aam Admini Vaat : (N. Damor)
9-3-96	Saturday	Live telecast of cricket match from Bangalore.	Special Serial
11-3-96	Monday	Live telecast of Wills World Cup'96 till 1735 hrs - and 1930 to 2000 hrs.	Lok Vasro : A. Rajyaguru Sports : (R. Mehta)/Adult Education (M.K. Parmar), Spl. Serial : Asli Nakli.
13-3-96	Wednesday	Telecast of Wills World Cup'96 till 1900 hrs. and 1930 to 2000 hrs.	Aam Admini Vaat : N. Damor/LMV-(SAW) Sports: (R. Mehta), Swasthya Sudha (S. Trivedi), R. Ramtan: (Dilip) Gram Jagat : (G.N. Jani), G.Gulal-R. Shah
15-3-96	Friday	Live Telecast of unweiling of the status of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Portrait of Madhu Limaye by - President from Delhi relay 1720 hrs.	Nirante: (M. Patel)/Sports (R. Mehta)
14-3-96	Thursday	Live telecast of Wills World Cup'96 till 1900 hrs. and 1930 to 2030 hrs.	Gram Vikas: (N. Patel)/Freedom Fighter (H. Gharekhan)/Sports: (R.Mehta)/Halve Haiye) H. Gharekhan/Gram Jagat- G.N. Jani/ Special Serial
22-3-96	Friday	Live telecast of Badminton Championship till 1800 hrs. from Vijaynagar	Nirante : (M.Patel)/Sports : (R. Mehta) Sahitya Sarwani-H. Gharekhan
5-4-96	Friday	—	Reg. Started at 712 hrs. Sahitya Sarvani - (H. Gharekhan and Sports - (R.Mehta)
7-4-96	Sunday	Live telecast of Davis Cup, Afternoon/Regional Transmission	Two spl. serial of 1200 & 1230 hrs.
13-4-96	Saturday	Live telecast of All India Open Tennis till 1900 hrs.	Spl. Serial: Aapni Tukadi Zindabad
7-5-96	Tuesday	Polling India-96 Election forecast live from Delhi	Social Justice, Kujoal, State Government Documentary, Yuva Darshan, Gram Jagat
10-5-96	Friday	Election anylysis live telecast from Delhi	Nirante, sports, Gulshan Gulshan, Shramik Jagat, Gram Jagat
28-5-96	Tuesday	Live telecast from Lok Sabha	Vikas Ne Panthe and Kaydo Bole Chhe
27-5-96	Monday	-do-	Lok Varso, Sports, Adult Education, Uphaar, Sahiyaro Saath.

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2-6-96	Sunday	Devotional Prog. live telecast on the death of former President N. Sanjeeva Reddy and Delink not given.	Spl. Serial (Two) and Gujarati Film, Spl. Serial and Patra Setu
6-6-96	Thursday	Live telecast of French Open Tennis from 1725 to 1900 hrs.	Spl. Programme/Natak/Gram Jagat
7-6-96	Friday	-do-	Nirante, Sports, Sahitya Sarvani, Shramik Jagat, Gram Jagat
8-6-96	Saturday	-do-	Play 1830 hrs.
11-6-96	Tuesday	Live telecast of Parliament Session till 1900 hrs.	Vikas Ne Panthe, Kaydo Bole Chhe, Parab, Documentary, Yuva, Darshan, Gram Jagat.
17-6-96	Monday	Live telecast from Parliament till 1815	Aam Admini Vaat, Light Vocal Music, Sports, Swasthya Sudha, Ramtan Ramtan

[Translation]

Decrease in First Class Coaches

4222. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the number of first class coaches have been decreasing day by day and the number of air conditioned coaches have been increasing continuously;

(b) if so, whether it may result in surplus of coaches and whether the Government are considering the reappointment of surplus coach attendants in other departments;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the first class coach attendants and travel ticket examiners and the employees of the same group and their pay-scales are similar and they are entitled to wear the same uniform; and

(e) if not, the rules under which the first class coach attendants have been allowed to wear black uniform like travel ticket examiners and to perform the work of a ticket examiner in sleeper coaches?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It would not result in any significant surplus of coaches as first class coaches are being condemned every year due to the coaches nearing their codal life of 25 years. Efforts are being made to absorb such surplus coach attendants in other suitable categories.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) At present, no such practice is prevalent.

[English]

Functioning of Container Corporation of India in Orissa

4223. SHRI ANCHAL DAS : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the offices of the Container Corporation of India Limited at Balasore, Paradeep and Talcher in Orissa are being operated;

(b) if not, the reasons therefore;

(c) the steps being taken to make these offices operational; and

(d) the details of activities undertaken by these offices during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) There is no container handling activity at these places.

(c) There is no proposal to set up office of Container Corporation of India Ltd. at Talcher and Paradeep. However, for setting up an Inland Container Depot at Balasore, land has been acquired.

(d) Does not arise.

Misappropriation of Funds in Bihar Sharif

4224. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any complaint about misappropriation of funds, and bungling in Cable and other materials of Bihar Shafif Sub-divisional Telecom Department; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?